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**EMITTING DEVICE** 

## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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SIR:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98 and to the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application is requested to consider and make of record the references listed on the PTO 1449 (R&P) submitted herewith. A copy of each of the listed references are also enclosed.

Although the information submitted herewith may be "material" to the Examiner's consideration of the subject application, this submission is not intended to constitute an admission that such information is "prior art" as to the claimed invention.

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The attached references are not in the English language, but these references were cited by a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application. A copy of this English language search report, indicating the degree of relevance determined by the foreign patent office is submitted herewith. MPEP Section 609A(3), second paragraph.

Accordingly and as more specifically indicated below, the required fee or certification (as required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c) is provided herewith.

## **CERTIFICATION**

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